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Another week flies by! A university colleague said yesterday that the days seem so long but before you know it, another month is gone. We are living in slow and fast times.

Not much going on this week.

Wasn't it great that UMB got named as #4 in Forbes survey of alumni satisfaction? Watch out Yale, Princeton, and MIT – here comes UMB! And as I said, I am sure it is because of the HS/HSL!

As you all know, the HS/HSL won UMB's Walking Challenge this past summer. The walking team had such a great time that we discussed how we could bring this to the library. We didn't think it would be good to compete with each other because Lauren would beat us all and we would be demoralized. So, working with Brad, a **Step Challenge** site has been placed on both the Staffsite and at the top level of Sharepoint on the right side. It allows you to track your walking and set goals for yourself. And even better, there are conversion charts so that you get credit for other types of activities like ping-pong, sledding, and yoga. We will start out with a clean slate on Monday, October 26th and see what we can do. It is up to you if you want to participate. The Step Challenge Team has been trying to come up with creative goals like total steps by the end of the year or walking across America so we are working on that. But if you just want to challenge yourself and be healthier (Thanksgiving and the Holidays are coming with lots of caloric opportunities!) join in – no judgement! One of the best things the walking team did was have a Teams Chat area where we offered encouragement, alternatives during bad weather, etc. If you would like to be added into that Teams Chat just let one of us know (Vickie, Tara, Lauren, Amy, Alexa, Katherine, me) and we will add you in. It was a supportive, great experience! Hope you join us!

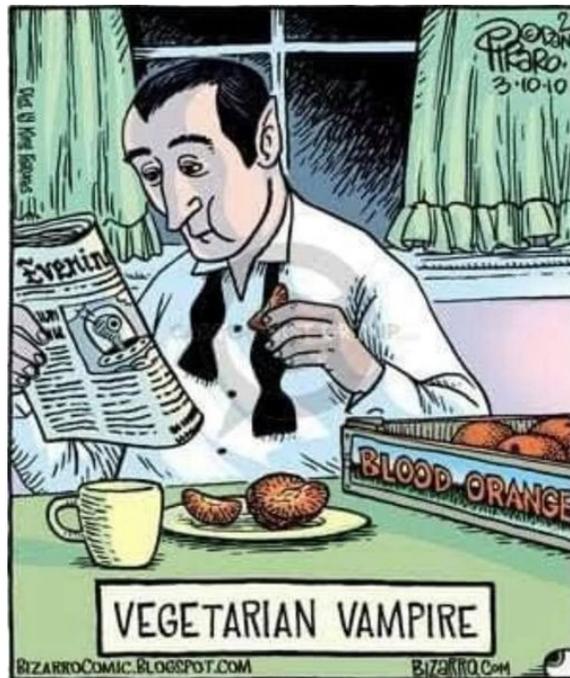
The MAC MLA chapter meeting was held this week and I was so proud to see all of our presenters – Kiri, Liz, J-P, Amy, Andrea, Ting, Jason, Emilie, Tony – I got a private message from a colleague remarking on our strong showing. Thanks to all of them and congratulations on your excellent presentations/posters! I will be setting up an all staff meeting and asking each of them to share their presentations with us.

And for those who know our Law Library colleagues – I am pleased/sad to announce that TMLL Director, Simon Canick will be leaving the Law Library and starting a new position at Columbia University as the director of the law library there on January 1. He has been a good and excellent colleague. This is a great opportunity for him.

Well, I managed to stretch that out!

As we get ready for Halloween:

Anyone else feel like
Halloween is unnecessary
this year? I've been wearing a
mask and eating candy for 7
months now, I don't think I
need a day dedicated to it
anymore....



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Stay safe and well!

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